



Attorney Docket No. 5511US

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Vala et al.

TC/Art Unit: 1617

Appl. Serial No.: 09/975,615

Examiner: Sharareh, S.

Filing Date.: 10 October 2001

Title: Food Product for Lowering Cholesterol Levels

I hereby certify that this document is being deposited with the United States Postal service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to:
Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

on: 01/05/04

Printed Name: Yulandra Y. Washington

Signature

Honorable Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

DATED: 05 January 2004

Dear Sir:

REQUEST FOR ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.192(a), Applicant hereby requests a One-Month Extension of Time to the period for filing an Response and Amendment to the office action dated September 5, 2003, said period of response being extended from December 5, 2003 to January 5, 2004.

Please apply any charges or refunds to Deposit Account No. 07-0900 and provide notification of such transaction(s) to the address below.

Respectfully submitted,

Arlene L. Hornilla
Reg No. 44,776

01/09/2004 CCHAU1 00000057 070900 09975615

01 FC:1251 110.00 DA